REMARKS

Claims 1-39 are pending in the application. Claims 1-9 and 17-22 stand rejected. Claims 10-16 and 23-39 have been withdrawn. Claims 1-3, 6, 17-19 and 21-22 have been amended. In view of the following and the fact that none of the art of record teaches or suggests the novel combination recited in claims 1-9 and 17-22, all rejected claims are in condition for allowance.

Objection to Drawings

The drawings stand objected to. Referring to, *e.g.*, FIG. 10 of the application, a moveable platform 23 and moveable electrodes 24 attached to the platform are illustrated. As such, the drawings show every feature of the invention specified in claim 20; it is respectfully submitted that including an illustration of a different geometrical configuration of the platform 23 and electrodes 24 is not necessary to understand the invention as recited in claim 20. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw this objection.

Objection to Specification

The specification stands objected to as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter. However, the remedy suggested by the Examiner appears to involve amendment of the claims. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to specify deficiencies in the specification that properly serve as bases for this objection.

Rejection of Claims 1-9 and 17-22 Under 35 U.S.C. 112, First Paragraph

Claims 1-3, 6, 17-19 and 21-22 have been amended such that claims 1-9 and 17-22 now stand in condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw this rejection.

Réjection of Claims 1-9 and 17-22 Under 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 1-3, 6, 17-19 and 21-22 have been amended such that claims 1-9 and 17-22 now stand in condition for allowance. Regarding claim 3, the Examiner states that "the body has not been defined to . . . have a thickness" However, claim 1, from which claim 3 depends, recites "a body of semiconductor material having a thickness" Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw this rejection.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, claims 1-9 and 17-22 are in condition for allowance.

The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 425.455.5575. The Applicant's attorney respectfully requests the Examiner to telephone the undersigned prior to issuing an Office Action that rejects any pending claim in this case.

In the event additional fees are due as a result of this amendment, you are hereby authorized to charge such payment to Deposit Account No. 07-1897.

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